

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY SEOUL

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, EEWT, KN, GW

SUBJECT: NORTH KOREA SHOE PLANT

REF: SEOUL 8597 AND 9322

1. THE BUILDING OF THE TURNKEY SHOE PLANT IN NORTH KOREA WAS APPARENTLY ARRANGED BY SCHON ET CIE GMBH, WEST GERMANY.
2. INVESTIGATION BY TREASURY DISCLOSED THAT KATY INDUSTRIES HAS A MINORITY INTEREST IN THE GERMAN FIRM, BUT DOES NOT CONTROL IT. THE INVESTIGATION ALSO DISCLOSED THAT KATY INDUSTRIES WAS NOT INVOLVED IN THE GERMAN FIRM'S TRANSACTION WITH NORTH KOREA. LIKEWISE, NO EVIDENCE HAS BEEN UNCOVERED INDICATING THAT KATY INDUSTRIES SUPPLIED SHOE MACHINERY TO SCHON FOR THIS FACTORY.

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3. COPIES OF THE FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL REGULATIONS ARE BEING POUCHED SEPARATELY FOR THE EMBASSY'S USE. CHRISTOPHER

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## Message Attributes

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